OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER NO. LTC # 053-2013

LETTER TO COMMISSION

TO:

Mayor Matti Herrera Bower and Members of the City Commission

FROM:

Kathie G. Brooks, City Manager

DATE:

February 20, 2013

SUBJECT: January 24, 2013 Homeless Census

This Letter to Commission is provided to inform you of the results of the Miami-Dade County Homeless Trust Census conducted on Thursday, January 24, 2013 from 10 pm to 6 am. The census is a count of sheltered and unsheltered homeless persons on a single night planned, coordinated, and carried out locally by the Miami-Dade County Homeless Trust. In Miami-Dade County the count is conducted bi-annually, in January and in the summer. The City's Homeless Services Division's Homeless Outreach Team (HOT) conducts the count for the City of Miami Beach. The count consisted of 7 teams comprised of HOT members, volunteers, and police officers. The teams visually count the number of homeless people on the street. Data gathered includes age, race, ethnicity, age, family status (single, couple, family).

Team #	Team Area
Team 1	South Pointe Drive to 9 th street, the Islands (Star, Palm, and Hibiscus) and the MacArthur Causeway
Team 2	10 th street to 16 th street
Team 3	17 th street to Dade Blvd/23 rd Street and the Venetian Islands
Team 4	Lincoln Lane South, Lincoln Road, Lincoln Lane North
Team 5	23 rd Street to 63 rd Street
Team 6	63 rd Street to 87 th Terrace
Team 7	The Beach - Government Cut to 87 th Terrace

The January 2013 count resulted in 138 homeless people counted Citywide. This is the lowest count since January 2008. Contrary to popular belief that the City's homeless count is higher in January due to those coming down to Miami Beach to escape winter, the data shows that we actually have more homeless in the City in the summer.

Jan	Jan	Aug	Jan	Sep	Jan	Jun	Jan	Aug	Jan
2008	2009	2009	2010	2010	2011	2011	2012	2012	2013
98	141	232	149	196	177	218	173	186	138

The following are the results of the January count broken down by category and areas of the City.

City of	Miami Be	each - Janua	ry 24, 2	013 Hor	neless	Census			
	South Beach		Mid Beach		North Beach		City		
Total Counted	109		14		15		138		
% of Street Population	7	79%		10%		11%		100%	
Gender		South Beach		Mid Beach		North Beach		City	
Male	83	76%	10	71%	10	67%	103	75%	
Female	17	16%	2	14%	4	27%	23	17%	
Transgender Male to Female	1	1%	0	0%	0	0%	1	1%	
Transgender Female to Male	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	
Unknown	8	7%	2	14%	1	7%	11	8%	
Total	109	100%	14	100%	15	100%	138	100%	
Ethnic Breakdown	South	n Beach	Mid I	Beach	Nort	h Beach	City		
African American	16	15%	4	29%	4	27%	24	17%	
Anglo	57	52%	5	36%	6	40%	68	49%	
Hispanic	20	18%	2	14%	3	20%	25	18%	
Unknown	5	5%	3	21%	2	13%	10	7%	
Other	11	10%	0	0%	0	0%	11	8%	
Total	109	100%	14	100%	15	100%	138	100%	
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Racial Breakdown	South Beach		Mid Beach		North Beach		City		
Black	21	19%	4	29%	5	33%	30	22%	
White	78	72%	7	50%	8	53%	93	67%	
Unknown	10	9%	3	21%	2	13%	15	11%	
Total	109	100%	14	100%	15	100%	138	100%	
Age Estimates		h Beach		Beach	 	h Beach		City	
0-17	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	
18-24	5	5%	0	0%	0	0%	5	4%	
24-34	11	10%	2	14%	4	27%	17	12%	
35-44	29	27%	1	7%	3	20%	33	24%	
45-54	21	19%	3	21%	3	20%	27	20%	
55-61	13	12%	5	36%	3	20%	21	15%	
62+	15	14%	0	0%	0	0%	15	11%	
Unknown	15	14%	3	21%	2	13%	20	14%	
Total	109	100%	14	100%	15	100%	138	100%	
	South Beach		Mid Beach		North Beach		City		
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Family Status	-	h Beach		T	+ • •	1	120		
Single	103	97%	12	86%	15	100%	130	94%	
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The Homeless Services Division would like to thank the City of Miami Beach Police Department and volunteers for their assistance and participation during the count.

The next census will be conducted in the summer; anyone interested in participating should contact the City Manager's Office.

If you have any question or need any additional information, please feel free to contact me.

C: Executive Staff

Katherine Martinez, Homeless Program Coordinator

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